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## Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, February 8, 2021, at 3 p.m.

## House of Representatives

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2021

The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. CUELLAR).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
February 5, 2021.

I hereby appoint the Honorable HENRY CUELLAR to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

Sovereign God, intrude into our deliberations. Judge between the factions and be the arbiter of our disputes over budgets and partisan belligerence, deficits and debt, COVID and conflicting interests.

Beat our swords of rhetoric and ridicule into instruments of peaceful resolution. Take our spears that we use to assault the character and core values of our colleagues and force them into tools of cooperation and collaboration.

Open our eyes to the weapons of contempt and disrespect our Nation has taken up, which threaten to divide not just communities and families but our very Republic. And call upon us to break this cycle of insidious violence.

Then equip us as the inheritors of our country's noble purpose, leaders in our

generation, that we would demonstrate that the idea of a United States is worthy of sacrificing our inclination for pride and pretense in favor of an attitude of mutual respect and unity of effort.

We pray in the strength of Your most holy name.  
Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 5(a)(1)(A) of House Resolution 8, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Alabama (Mr. CARL) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. CARL led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain up to five requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

### HONORING THE LIFE OF GABRIELLE ALDEA

(Mrs. LURIA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1

minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. LURIA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life, legacy, and advocacy of Gabrielle Aldea.

Gabby was a tireless fighter for expanding access to healthcare for those with preexisting conditions. She was born with a bladder the size of a thimble. Gabby spent the first 7 years of her life in and out of the hospital.

A tenacious voice for reform and compassion, Gabby overcame this adversity and took to civic engagement. She became a voice for those who too often cannot speak for themselves and an inspiration for our community.

I rise today to call on my colleagues to join me in honoring Gabby's legacy by recommitting to the value of expanding access to healthcare and fostering a more equitable community for this generation and for generations to come.

### SOUTH DAKOTA STOCKGROWERS BAND TOGETHER

(Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota. Mr. Speaker, from supply chain issues to uncertain prices, it has been a tough time in cattle country.

To make things worse, there was a fire up near Lemmon, and it was a big one. It burned 16,000 acres of land used to feed South Dakota cattle.

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